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Tucson Human Relations Commission MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Tucson Human Relations Commission was called to order by Chair Maritza Broce, on Wednesday, December 9, 2009, at 5:45 p.m., at the CWA 7000 Building, 877 S. Alvernon Way, S-100, Tucson, Arizona.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Members Present:

Joe Yee, Treasurer
Maritza Broce, Chair
Yahya Yuksel
Sat Bir Kaur Khalsa
Alicia Calahorro

Representing:

Ward 2
Ward 3
Ward 4
Ward 6
GLBT Commission

Members Absent:

Martha Taylor, Vice-Chair
Victor Flores
Vacancy

Mayor
Ward 1
Ward 5

7. Requests for Financial Support & Community Events

a. Amistades: Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo Exhibition & 4th Annual Segundo de Febrero Commemorative Dinner

(Item taken out of orders0

Chair Broce announced that this item would be taken out of order to allow for representatives from Amistades to give a presentation to the Commission.

Cindy Corona presented to the Commission on the exhibition of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo and the 4th Annual Segundo de Febrero Commemorative Dinner. She stated Amistades' goal was to get the original treaty signed in 1948 here to Tucson from the archives in Washington for use as an educational piece during this time.

Ms. Corona stated the cost to transport the treaty was approximately \$30,000. Amistades was looking for donations to help defray the cost. Their request to the Commission was for \$1,000 and/or purchasing a table for eight persons (\$400.00) to attend the commemorative dinner.

Discussion ensued.

It was moved by Commissioner Khalsa, duly seconded, to purchase a table for the 4th Annual Segundo de Febrero Commemorative Dinner in the amount of \$400.00.

Chair Broce asked if there was any further discussion. Hearing none, she asked for a roll call vote.

Upon roll call, the results were:

Aye: Commissioners Yee, Khalsa, Calahorro, Yuksel (abstained twice) and Chair Broce.

Absent: Commissioners Flores and Taylor

The motion to purchase a table for \$400.00 for the 4th Annual Segundo de Febrero Commemorative Dinner was passed by a roll call vote of 5-0.

2. Call to the Audience

None

3. Approval of Minutes: August 12, 2009 and November 11, 2009

It was moved by Commissioner Calahorro, duly seconded, and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 (Commissioners Flores and Taylor absent) to approve the Minutes from the August 12, 2009, meeting with the following corrections: Page 7, 2nd paragraph, 6th line, change the word alienated to **delineated**; and page 10, Item #5, 1st bullet, 4th line change the word piers to **peers**.

It was moved by Commissioner Calahorro, duly seconded, and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 (Commissioners Flores and Taylor absent) to approve the Minutes from the November 11, 2009, meeting.

4. Treasurer's Report

Report given, no action taken.

5. HRC Timeline of Events

Chair Broce asked what events and dates the HRC had been involved in past years. Discussion was held with the following events being identified:

- Ray Davies Award – April
- Education Enrichment Foundation Honoring Ray Davies – October
- MLK (Martin Luther King, Jr.) – January
- Temple Emmanuel – March
- Peach Walk – March
- Tucson Women's Foundation Annual Luncheon – May
- GLBT Celebration – March/April

- AIDS Candlelight Memorial – May

Chair Broce asked that all Commissioners check with their respective Ward offices to see what other events might be scheduled that HRC needed to be involved in.

6. Commission/Meeting Agenda Structure, Subcommittee Development

Chair Broce asked for input from the Commission on how they would like to see the agendas and meetings structured.

Discussion was held. It was mentioned that meetings should start on time and perhaps time limits be assigned to each item to give everyone notice on how long the meetings could possibly run.

Discussion was also held on what subcommittees the HRC should have and who would chair them. Chair Broce also announced that the chair of the subcommittee was responsible for meeting notices and Legal Action Reports (LARs), summarizing their meetings. The following subcommittees were discussed and formed with chairpersons assigned:

- Ray Davies Student Service Award – Commissioner Taylor (assistance from all Commissioners)
- Powerpoint of HRC Education and Outreach – Commissioner Flores (Commissioners Calahorro and Khalsa to assist)
- Community Resource Development – Commissioner Yee (assistance from Commissioner Khalsa)
- Anti-Hate Crime – Commissioner Khalsa
- Awards Committee – Commissioner Khalsa (assistance from Commissioners Calahorro and Yuksel)
- Legislature/Policy Issues Committee – Chair Broce (assistance from Commissioners Yee and Calahorro)

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Item taken out of order and discussed after Item #1.

8. Report from NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner Attendees

Commissioners Calahorro and Yuksel reported on attending the NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner.

Report given, not action taken.

9. **Report from Other Commissions:**
 - a. **Commission on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) Issues**

Report given, no action taken.
 - b. **Anti-Hate Crime Task Force**

Report given, no action taken.
10. **Chairman's Summary of Current Events – Information Only**

Report given.
11. **Future Agenda Items – Information Only**
12. **Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm